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Art Unit	3723
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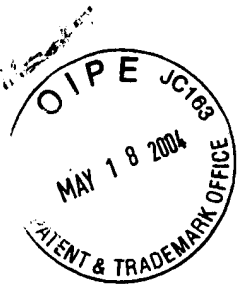
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Dear Sir:

This Voluntary Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination, filed herewith, after receipt of a Notice of Allowance.

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